

Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date:

May 9, 2002

To:

Transportation and Public Works Committee

Referral to:

none

Subject:

Lyndale Neighborhood (Area bounded by Lake St, Stevens Ave, 36th

Street, and Lyndale Ave) Residential Lighting Project

Recommendation:

1a) Passage of a Resolution designating the location, streets, and improvements proposed to be made in the Lyndale Neighborhood Residential Street Lighting Project. Special Improvement of Existing Street Number 2238.

This Resolution may be authorized for summary publication.

- 1b) Adoption of the Committee Report receiving the cost estimate of \$3,220,000 and the list of benefited properties, directing the City Engineer to prepare a proposed Street Lighting Special Improvement Assessment in the amount of \$3,220,000 against the list of benefited properties by applying the street influence zone method, and directing the City Clerk to give notice of a Project Approval and Assessment Public Hearing to be held on June 13, 2002 before the Transportation and Public Works Committee.
- 2) Adoption of a Committee Report designating the street lighting project area as Street Lighting District Number 1292 and directing the City Clerk to give notice of a public hearing to be held on June 13, 2002 before the Transportation and Public Works Committee.

Previous Directives: None

Prepared or Submitted by: Beverly Jo Warmka, Transportation Engineer, 673-3762 Approved: David J. Sonnenberg, P. E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

By: Greg Finstad My Junta

Presenters in Committee: Greg Finstad, Director of Transportation and Parking Services

Fir	nancial Impact
X	No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.
	(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
	Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
	Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
	Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
	Action requires use of contingency or reserves
	Other financial impact (Explain):

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification-

Monthly neighborhood meetings

Planning a special meeting in June to discuss assessments and other questions/concerns prior to the public hearing

City Goals
Comprehensive Plan
Zoning Code
Other

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The purpose of this letter is to establish the special assessment proceedings for street lighting installation and to establish the street lighting maintenance and operation proceedings for the Lyndale Neighborhood Residential Lighting Program.

Lyndale Neighborhood Street Lighting Project

This proposed project would install low level ornamental street lights, and high level ornamental street lights at signalized intersections, in the area including Stevens Ave S and 36th St, and bounded by Lyndale Ave S and Lake St. This project was initiated by a petition, signed by 65.3% of the adjacent property owners/residents, submitted to the Transportation and Parking Services Division of the Department of Public Works. We recommend passage of a Resolution designating the location, streets, and improvements to be made for the Lyndale Neighborhood Area Residential Lighting Program.

As provided in Chapter 10, Section 8 of the City Charter, submitted herewith is a list of parcels with owner's names, as nearly as can be readily ascertained, which would be benefited by and assessed for Lyndale Neighborhood Area Street Lighting Project.

Also submitted is a cost estimate of \$3,220,000 for the Lyndale Neighborhood Area Lighting Project:

Lighting (design and construction)	\$2,975,000
Interim Financing Cost	\$ 245,000
Total	\$3,220,000

The project will be funded by \$3,220,000 from special assessments. The special assessments would be determined by using the street influence zone area method with 100% of the costs to be assessed.

2. Street Lighting District Number 1292

As provided in Chapter 431 (Street Lighting) of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, the street lighting project area is proposed to be designated as Street Lighting District Number 1292. The annual maintenance and operation costs for this street lighting district are standard costs which are paid by the City out of the General Fund which in turn is funded by real estate taxes. Non-governmental properties exempt from real estate taxes pay for street lighting maintenance and operation costs through special assessments. Chapter 431 provides for a lineal front footage method to determine street lighting maintenance and operation assessments.

The Lyndale Neighborhood lighting project effects approximately 1500 properties, some of these are tax exempt. The petition received 65.3% approval with approximately 730 signatures.

Former Council Member McDonald gave approval of this project moving forward. We also have the approval of Council Member Lilligren to submit this item to the Transportation and Public Works Committee. Council Member Niziolek has also been updated about this project.

CC: Council Member Lilligren, Ward 8
Council Member Niziolek, Ward 10
Jack Qvale, Secretary, Board of Estimate and Taxation
Suzette Hjermstad, Special Assessments

